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TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK OSCODA COUNTY, MICHIGAN AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS MARCH 31, 2006

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Supervisor James Booth

Clerk Judy Berney

Treasurer Janis Sanderson

TRUSTEES

Marian Buchanan

Rex McGregor

TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

September 12, 2006

Township Board Big Creek Township Oscoda County, Michigan

I have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of Big Creek, as of and for the year ended March 31, 2006, which collectively comprise the Township's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the Township's management. My responsibility is to express an opinion on these financial statements based on my audit.

I conducted my audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America. Those standards require that I plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free of material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. I believe that my audit provides a reasonable basis for my opinion.

In my opinion, the financial statements referred to in the first paragraph present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund activity, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the Township of Big Creek, as of March 31, 2006, and the respective changes in financial position thereof and for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America.

The management's discussion and analysis on pages 3-8 and budgetary comparison information on pages 25-30 are not a required part of the basis financial statements but are supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. I have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the supplementary information. However, I did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

Township Board Big Creek Township Oscoda County, Michigan Page 2

My audit was conducted for the purpose of forming opinions on the financial statements that collectively comprise the Township of Big Creek's basic financial statements. The introductory section and combining financial statements are presented for purposes of additional analysis and are not a required part of the basic financial statements. The combining financial statements have been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, in my opinion, are fairly stated in all material respects in relation to the basic financial statements taken as a whole. The introductory section has not been subjected to the auditing procedures applied in the audit of the basic financial statements and, accordingly, I express no opinion on them.

JAMES M. ANDERSON, P.C.

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT

TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS

As management of Big Creek Township (the "Township"), we offer readers of the Township's financial statements this narrative overview and analysis of the financial activities of the Township for the fiscal year ended March 31, 2006.

Financial Highlights

- . The assets of the Township exceeded its liabilities at the close of the most recent fiscal year by \$856,167 (net assets). Of this amount, \$352,196 (unrestricted net assets) may be used to meet the Township's ongoing obligations.
- . The Township's total net assets increased by \$28,488.
- . As of the close of the current fiscal year, the Township's general fund, reported an ending fund balance of \$348,681, a decrease of \$38,471 in comparison with the prior year.
- . At the end of the current fiscal year, the unreserved fund balance for the general fund was \$348,681 or 87% of total general fund expenditures.

Overview of the Financial Statements

This discussion and analysis is intended to serve as an introduction to the Township's basic financial statements. The Township's basic financial statements consist of three components: 1)Government-wide financial statements, 2)Fund financial statements, and 3)Notes to the financial statements. This report also contains other supplemental information in addition to the basic financial statements themselves.

Government-wide financial statements. The *Government-wide financial statements* are designed to provide readers with a broad overview of the Township's finances, in a manner similar to a private-sector business.

The *statement of net assets* presents information on all of the Township's assets and liabilities, with the difference between the two reported as *net assets*. Over time, increases or decreases in net assets may serve as a useful indicator of whether the financial position of the Township is improving or deteriorating.

The *statement of activities* presents information showing how the Township's net assets changed during the most recent fiscal year. All changes in net assets are reported as soon as the underlying event giving rise to the change occurs, *regardless of the timing of related cash flows*. Thus, revenues and expenses are reported in this statement for some items that will only result in cash flows in future fiscal periods.

TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)

Both of the Government-wide financial statements present functions of the Township that are principally supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues (governmental activities). The governmental activities of the Township include general government, public safety, public works, and recreation. The Township does not have any business-type activities as of and for the year ended March 31, 2006.

The Government-wide financial statements can be found on pages 9-10 of this report.

Fund financial statements. A *fund* is a grouping of related accounts that is used to maintain control over resources that have been segregated for specific activities or objectives. The Township, like other state and local governments, uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements. All of the funds of the Township can be divided into two categories: governmental funds and fiduciary funds.

Governmental funds. Governmental funds are used to account for essentially the same functions reported as governmental activities in the Government-wide financial statements. However, unlike the government-wide financial statements, governmental fund financial statements focus on near-term inflows and outflows of spendable resources, as well as on balances of spendable resources available at the end of the fiscal year. Such information may be useful in evaluating a Township's near-term financing requirements.

Because the focus of governmental funds is narrower than that of the Government-wide financial statements, it is useful to compare the information presented for *governmental funds* with similar information presented for *governmental activities* in the government-wide financial statements. By doing so, readers may better understand the long-term impact of the government's near-term financing decisions. Both the governmental fund balance sheet and the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances provide a reconciliation to facilitate this comparison between *governmental funds* and *governmental activities*.

The Township maintains two governmental funds. Information is presented in the governmental fund balance sheet and in the governmental fund statement of revenues, expenditures, and changes in fund balances for the General and Road Improvement Fund.

The Township adopts an annual appropriated budget for its governmental funds. Budgetary comparison statements or schedules have been provided for the governmental funds herein to demonstrate compliance with the budget.

The basic governmental fund financial statements can be found on pages 11 and 13 of this report.

Fiduciary funds. Fiduciary funds are used to account for resources held for the benefit of parties outside the Township. Fiduciary funds are *not* reflected in the Government-wide financial statements because the resources of those funds are *not* available to support the Township's own programs. The accounting used for fiduciary funds is much like that used for proprietary funds.

TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)

Notes to financial statements. The notes provide additional information that is essential to a full understanding of the data provided in the government-wide and fund financial statements. The notes to the financial statements can be found on pages 17-24 of this report.

Government-wide Financial Analysis

A portion of the Township's net assets (59%) reflects its investments in capital assets (e.g., land, land improvements, buildings, and equipment); less any related debt used to acquire those assets that is still outstanding. The Township uses these capital assets to provide services to the community; consequently, these assets are *not* available for future spending.

Township's Net Assets

	Governmental <u>Activities</u>						
		2006		2005	 <u>ariance</u>	_	%
Current and Other Assets Capital Assets, Net	\$	358,343 503,971	\$	392,787 437,317	\$ (34,444) 66,654	_	(8.77) 15.24
Total Assets		862,314		830,104	32,210		3.88
Current Liabilities		6,147	_	2 , 425	 3 , 722	_	153.48
Total Liabilities		6,147		2,425	3,722		153.48
Net Assets Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt Unrestricted		503,971 352,196		437,317 390,362	66,654 (38,166)	_	15.24 (9.77)
Total Net Assets	\$	856,167	\$	827,679	\$ 28,488	_	3.44

TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)

The Township's net assets increased by \$28,488 during the current fiscal year. Unrestricted net assets - the part of net assets that can be used to finance day to day operations, decreased by \$38,166 or 10%, during fiscal year 2006.

Township's Changes in Net Assets

	Governmental Activities						
_		2006		2005	V	ariance	%%
Revenue: Program Revenue: Charges for Services	\$	33,621	\$	27,948	\$	5,673	20.30
Operating Grants and Contributions General Revenue:	Ψ	20,383	Ψ	20,942	Ψ	(559)	(2.67)
Property Taxes State-Shared Revenues		73,606 231,467		73,420 230,942		186 525	0.25 0.72
Interest		5,309	_	1,516		3,793	250.20
Total Revenue		364 , 386		354 , 768		9,618	<u>2.71</u>
Expenses:		166 041		166 026		(705)	(0.40)
General Government Public Safety		166,041 74,805		166,836 85,221		(795) (10,416)	(0.48) (12.22)
Public Works Recreation and cultural		78,541 16,511		60,547 12,013		17,994 4,498	29.72 37.44
Total Expenses	_	335,898		324,617		11,281	3.48
Increase in Net Assets		28,488		30,151		(1,663)	(5.52)
Net Assets, Beginning of Year	_	827 , 679		797 , 528		30 , 151	3.78
Net Assets, End of Year	\$	856,167	\$	827,679	\$	28,488	3.44

Governmental activities. The Township's total governmental revenues increased by \$9,618 from last fiscal year. This was primarily attributed to the increase in revenues from charges for services. Expenses increased by \$11,281. The increase was primarily due to increases in contributions to the Big Creek-Mentor Utility Authority.

Financial Analysis of the Government's Funds

As noted earlier, the Township uses fund accounting to ensure and demonstrate compliance with finance-related legal requirements.

TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)

As of the end of the current fiscal year, the Township's governmental funds reported combined ending fund balances of \$352,196, a decrease of \$38,166 in comparison with the prior year. The *undesignated fund balance*, which is available for spending at the Township's discretion, constitutes 100% of this total amount.

The primary governmental fund is the General Fund of the Township. As a measure of the general fund's liquidity, it may be useful to compare both unreserved fund balance and total fund balance to total fund expenditures. Undesignated fund balance represents 87% of total general fund expenditures.

The fund balance of the General Fund decreased by \$38,471 during the current fiscal year.

General Fund Budgetary Highlights

The Township's budgets are prepared in accordance with Michigan Law. The budgeted funds are the General and Road Improvement Funds.

Capital Assets and Debt Administration

Capital assets. The Township's investment in capital assets for its governmental activities as of March 31, 2006, amounted to \$503,971 (net of accumulated depreciation). Investment in capital assets includes land, land improvements, buildings, and equipment. Additions totaled \$93,575 for the fiscal year.

Township's Capital Assets (net of depreciation)

		2006		2005	Percentage <u>Change</u>
Land Buildings and Improvements Vehicles and Equipment	\$	148,796 241,323 113,852	\$	133,781 180,968 122,568	11.22 33.35 (7.11)
Total	<u>\$</u>	503,971	<u>\$</u>	437,317	<u>15.24</u>

Additional information on the Township's capital assets can be found in note F on page 23 of this report.

TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK MANAGEMENT'S DISCUSSION AND ANALYSIS (CONTINUED)

Factors Bearing on the Township's Future

The following factors were considered in preparing the Township's budget for the 2006-2007 fiscal year:

- . The State of Michigan has made significant cuts in their operating budgets due to a down turn of the economy. For 2005-2006, the Township received \$231,023 in state shared revenues, representing 65% of the revenues in the General Fund. The amounts of state shared revenues for future periods is uncertain and will affect the Township's budget.
- . The Township is in the process of building a new hall with a budgeted cost of \$250,000. This will be paid for the 2006/07 revenues and the fund balance carry over from the prior year.

Requests for Information

This financial report is designed to provide a general overview of the Township's finances for all those with an interest in the government's finances. Questions concerning any of the information provided in this report or requests for additional financial information should be addressed to:

Big Creek Township P.O. Box 197 Luzerne, MI 48636

TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS MARCH 31, 2006

ASSETS	Governmental <u>Activities</u>
Current Assets: Cash and investments Receivables: Taxes receivable Interest	\$ 210,891 94,833 1,183
Other Governmental Units	<u>51,436</u>
Total Current Assets	358,343
Non-Current Assets: Capital Assets - Net	<u>503,971</u>
Total Assets	862,314
LIABILITIES	
Current Liabilities: Accounts Payable	6,147
Total Current Liabilities	6,147
NET ASSETS	
Invested in Capital Assets, Net of Related Debt Unrestricted	503,971 352,196
Total Net Assets	<u>\$ 856,167</u>

TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2006

GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES	Expenses_	Charges for Services	Operating Grants and Contributions	Capital Grants and Contributions	Net (Expense) <u>Revenue</u>
General Government Public Safety Public Works Recreation and Cultural	\$ (166,041) (74,805) (78,541) (16,511)	\$ 30,399 -0- -0- 3,222	\$ 20,383 -0- -0- -0-	\$ -0- -0- -0- -0-	\$ (115,259) (74,805) (78,541) (13,289)
Total Governmental Activities	<u>\$ (335,898</u>)	<u>\$ 33,621</u>	<u>\$ 20,383</u>	<u>\$ -0-</u>	(281,894)
GENERAL REVENUES					
Property Taxes Levied for: General Purpose Public Works State Shared Revenue not rest Investment Earnings	ricted to specif	fic purposes			72,281 1,325 231,467 5,309
Total General Revenues					310,382
Change in Net Assets					28,488
Net Assets - April 1					827,679
Net Assets - March 31					\$ 856,167

TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK BALANCE SHEET GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS MARCH 31, 2006

ASSETS	<u>General</u>	Road <u>Improvement</u>	Totals
Cash and investments Taxes receivable Interest receivable Due from other units of government Due from other funds	\$ 210,351 90,658 1,183 51,436 1,200	\$ 540 4,175 -0- -0- -0-	\$ 210,891 94,833 1,183 51,436 1,200
Total Assets	<u>\$ 354,828</u>	<u>\$ 4,715</u>	<u>\$ 359,543</u>
LIABILITIES AND FUND EQUITY			
Liabilities: Accounts payable Due to other funds	\$ 6,147 -0-	\$ -0- 1,200	\$ 6,147 1,200
Total Liabilities	6,147	1,200	7,347
Fund Equity:			
Fund balance	<u>348,681</u>	<u>3,515</u>	<u>352,196</u>
Total Fund Equity	348,681	<u>3,515</u>	352,196
Total Liabilities and Fund Equity	<u>\$ 354,828</u>	<u>\$ 4,715</u>	<u>\$ 359,543</u>

TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK RECONCILIATION OF FUND BALANCES ON BALANCE SHEET FOR GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO NET ASSETS OF GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES ON THE STATEMENT OF NET ASSETS MARCH 31, 2006

TOTAL FUND BALANCES - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

\$ 352,196

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Net Assets are different because:

Capital assets used in governmental activities are not current financial resources and therefore are not recorded in the funds. This represents the amounts by which capital assets used in governmental funds exceeds accumulated depreciation.

503,971

TOTAL NET ASSETS - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

\$ 856,167

TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK COMBINING STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - GOVERNMENTAL FUND TYPES YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2006

	 ieneral	Road <u>ovements</u>	 Totals
Revenues: Taxes and assessments Intergovernmental Charges for services Rent Interest Other	\$ 72,281 251,850 17,366 9,172 5,309 7,083	\$ 1,325 -0- -0- -0- -0- -0-	\$ 73,606 251,850 17,366 9,172 5,309 7,083
Total Revenues	 363,061	 1,325	 364,386
Expenditures: General government Public safety Public works Highways and streets Parks & recreation	 238,755 63,366 53,856 23,665 21,890	-0- -0- -0- 1,020	 238,755 63,366 53,856 24,685 21,890
Total Expenditures Excess: Revenue over (under) expenditures	 401,532 (38,471)	 1,020 305	 402,552 (38,166)
Fund Balance - April 1	 387,152	 3,210	 390,362
Fund Balance - March 31	\$ 348,68 <u>1</u>	\$ 3,51 <u>5</u>	\$ 352,196

TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK RECONCILIATION OF THE STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCES OF GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS TO THE STATEMENT OF ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2006

NET CHANGE IN FUND BALANCES - TOTAL GOVERNMENTAL FUNDS

\$ (38,166)

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the Statement of Activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However in the statement of activities, the cost of these assets are capitalized and depreciation charged to expense over their useful life.

66,654

CHANGES IN NET ASSETS - GOVERNMENTAL ACTIVITIES

\$ 28,488

TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK STATEMENT OF FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS MARCH 31, 2006

ASSETS

Cash and Investments		<u>\$ 142,551</u>
	LIABILITIES	
Undistributed Collections		<u>142,551</u>
Total Liabilities		<u>142,551</u>
	NET ASSETS	
Net Assets		\$0

TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FIDUCIARY NET ASSETS YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2006

REVENUES

Property Tax Collections Interest and Other Collections	\$ 548,451 9,858
Total Revenues	 558,309
EXPENDITURES	
Property Taxes Other	 548,451 9,858
Total Expenditures	 558,309
Excess of Revenues over Expenditures	-0-
Net Assets - April 1	 -0-
Net Assets - March 31	\$ -0-

NOTE A: ENTITY

The Township of Big Creek is a general law township of the State of Michigan located in Oscoda County, Michigan. It operates under an elected board and provides services to its residents in many areas including public safety, street development and maintenance, and general administrative services. As required by generally accepted accounting principles and governmental Accounting Standards Board (GASB) Statement no. 14 "The Financial Reporting Entity", these financial statements present Big Creek Township (primary government) and its component units. The criteria established by the GASB for determining the reporting entity includes oversight responsibility, fiscal dependency, and whether the financial statements would be misleading if data were not included. On this basis, the financial statements include all of the governmental functions of Big Creek Township.

NOTE B - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The accounting policies of the Township of Big Creek conform to generally accepted accounting principles as applicable to governments. The following is a summary of the more significant policies.

GOVERNMENT-WIDE AND FUND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS: The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the statements of net assets and the statement of activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the primary government and its component units. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been removed from these statements. Governmental activities, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from business-type activities, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

Likewise, the *primary government* is reported separately from certain legally separate *component units* for which the primary government is financially accountable.

The statement of activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. *Indirect expenses* are charged based upon a Township-wide cost allocation plan which allocates costs based upon the number of full time equivalents, number of transactions, and other pertinent information. *Program revenues* include (1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment and (2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items are not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Major individual governmental funds and major individual enterprise funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

NOTE B - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED):

MEASUREMENT FOCUS, BASIS OF ACCOUNTING, AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION: The government-wide financial statements are reported using the economic resources measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting, as are the proprietary fund and fiduciary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial* resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. Grant revenues are considered to be available when all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures and select compensated absences are recorded only when payment is due.

Property taxes, intergovernmental revenue, charges for services and interest associated with the current fiscal period are all considered to be susceptible to accrual and so have been recognized as revenues of the current fiscal period. Only the portion of special assessments receivable due within the current fiscal period is considered to be susceptible to accrual as revenue of the current period. All other revenue items are considered to be measurable and available only when cash is received by the Township.

The Township reports following major governmental fund:

The *General Fund* is the Township's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

NOTE B - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

MEASUREMENT FOCUS BASIS OF ACCOUNTING AND FINANCIAL STATEMENT PRESENTATION (CONTINUED)

The Township reports the following non-major governmental fund:

Road Improvement

Additionally, the Township reports the following fund types:

Agency Funds are used to account for assets held on behalf of outside parties, including other governments.

Property tax revenues are recognized as follows:

Properties are assessed as of December 31 and the related property taxes are levied on December 1 of the following year. These taxes are due on February 15; uncollected amounts are subsequently added to the county delinquent tax rolls. A county revolving fund normally pays the balance of the Township's tax levy by May 31 of each year. In accordance with GASB 33 "Accounting and Financial Reporting for Nonexchange Transactions", the Township records the property tax revenue when it becomes an enforceable legal claim for the Township. Therefore, all taxes levied on December 1, 2005, are recorded as revenue in the current year. The Township's taxable value for the 2005 tax year totaled \$83,921,993.

The tax rates for the year ended March 31, 2006, were as follows:

PURPOSE
General .8617 mills per \$1,000
Road Improvement Special Assessment

<u>BUDGETS</u> - Public Act 621 of 1978 as amended provides that a local unit shall not incur expenditures in excess of the amount appropriated. The approved budgets of the Township for budgetary funds were adopted on a fund level. Budgets are normally formulated during January and February of each year and a budget hearing is held in March. The board normally adopts the budget just prior to April 1. Amendments are made to the budgets when determined to be necessary throughout the year. Unused appropriations for budgeted activities lapse at the end of the year. The budget amounts shown in the financial statements are the final authorized amounts as revised during the year.

<u>ESTIMATES</u> - The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

NOTE B - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (CONTINUED)

<u>CAPITAL ASSETS</u> - Capital assets, which include property, plant, equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items), are reported in the applicable governmental or business-type activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$500 and an estimated useful life in excess of two years. Such assets are valued at cost where historical records are available and at an estimated historical cost where no historical records exists. Donated capital assets are valued at their estimated fair value on the date received.

The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset lives are not capitalized. Improvements are capitalized and depreciated over the remaining useful lives of the related capital assets, as applicable.

No interest expense has been incurred or capitalized on capital assets reported in proprietary funds.

Depreciation on the capital assets (including infrastructure), is computed using the straight-line or sum-of-the-years digits method over the following estimated useful lives:

	<u>Years</u>
Land improvements	20
Buildings	30-50
Public domain infrastructure	8-50
Equipment	3-20

<u>LONG-TERM OBLIGATIONS</u> - In the government-wide financial statements, the long-term debt and other long-term obligations are reported as liabilities. For new bond issuances after the implementation of GASB Statement No. 34, bond premiums and discounts, as well as issuance costs, are deferred and amortized over the life of the bonds using the straight-line method which approximates the effective interest method. Bonds payable are reported net of the applicable bond premium or discount.

In the fund financial statements, governmental fund types recognize bond premiums and discounts, as well as bond issuance costs, during the current period. The face amount of debt issued is reported as other financing sources. Premiums received on debt issuances are reported as other financing uses. Issuance costs, whether or not withheld from the actual debt proceeds received, are reported as debt service expenditures. Currently, the Township has no outstanding long-term obligations.

NOTE C - CASH AND INVESTMENTS

The captions on the balance sheets related to deposits and investments are as follows:

	Checking & Savings	Certificates of <u>Deposit</u>	Total		
Governmental Activities Agency funds	\$ 98,497 142,551	\$ 112,394 	\$ 210,891 142,551		
Total	<u>\$ 241,048</u>	<u>\$ 112,394</u>	<u>\$ 353,442</u>		

<u>Deposits</u> - At year-end, the carrying amount of the Township's deposits was \$353,442 and the bank balance was \$356,586. According to Section 330.8 of the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Rules and Regulations, 72% of the total bank balance was covered by federal depository insurance.

The Government Accounting Standards Board Statement No. 3 risk disclosures for Big Creek Township's cash deposits are as follows:

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		Amount	 <u>Balance</u>
Insured (FDIC)	\$	252,337	\$ 255,481
Uninsured and Uncollateralized		101,105	 101,105
Total Deposits	<u>\$</u>	353 , 442	\$ 356 , 586

Custodial Credit Risk

Custodial credit risk for deposits is the risk that, in the event of the failure of a depository financial institution, a government will not be able to recover its deposits or will not be able to recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. Michigan law and Township's investment policy do not contain legal or policy requirements that would limit the exposure to custodial credit risk for investments. With respect to investments, custodial credit risk generally applies only to direct investments in marketable securities. Custodial credit risk does not apply to local government's indirect investment in securities through the use of mutual funds or government investment pools.

Interest Rate Risk

The Township has not adopted a policy that indicates how the Township will minimize interest rate risk, which is the risk that the market value of securities in the portfolio will fall due to changes in market interest rates, by limiting the weighted average maturity of its investment portfolio to less than a given period of time.

NOTE C - CASH AND INVESTMENTS (CONTINUED)

Concentration of Credit Risk

The Township has not adopted a policy that indicates how the Township will minimize concentration of credit risk, which is the risk of loss attributed to the magnitude of the Township's investment in a single issuer, by diversifying the investment portfolio so that the impact of potential losses from any one type of security or issuer will be minimized.

<u>Investments</u> - P.A. 20 of 1943, authorizes the Township to deposit and invest in the following:

- a. Bonds and other direct obligations of the United States or its agencies.
- b. Certificates of deposit, savings accounts, deposit accounts, or depository receipts of federally insured banks, insured savings and loan associations or credit unions insured by the national credit union administration that are eligible to be depository of surplus money belonging to the State under section 5 or 6 of act 105, PA 1855, as amended (MCL 21.145 and 21.146).
- c. Commercial paper rated at time of purchase within the three highest classifications established by not less than two standard rating services. Maturity cannot be more than 270 days after purchase.
- d. United States governmental or Federal agency obligation repurchase agreements.
- e. Bankers' acceptance of United States banks.
- f. Mutual funds composed of investments which are legal for direct investments by local units of government in Michigan.

NOTE D - EXCESS OF EXPENDITURES OVER APPROPRIATIONS IN BUDGETARY FUNDS

During the year ended March 31, 2006 the Township incurred expenditures in excess of the amounts appropriated in the General Fund as follows:

Fund General Fund:	Budgeted	Actual	Variance
Township Assessor Big Creek-Mentor Utility Authority Parks & Recreation	\$ 16,400 20,000 20,000	\$\ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \ \	$\begin{array}{r} \$ & (1,002) \\ \hline & (1,240) \\ \hline & (1,890) \end{array}$

NOTE E - DUE FROM OTHER UNITS OF GOVERNMENT

Due from other units of government consists of money advanced to the Big Creek - Mentor Utility Authority totaling \$13,000 and State revenue of \$38,436, totaling \$51,436.

NOTE F - CAPITAL ASSETS

Capital asset activity for the year ended March 31, 2006 was as follows:

<u>Primary Government</u>	Daginaina			Lad of
Governmental activities: Land	Beginning of year \$ 133,781	<u>Increases</u> \$ 15,015	Decreases \$ -0-	End of <u>Year</u> \$ 148,796
Total capital Assets, not being depreciated	133,781	<u>15,015</u>		148,796
Capital assets, being depreciated: Building and improvements Vehicles and equipment	248,578 203,811	69,316 9,244	-0- -0-	317,894 213,055
Total capital assets, being depreciated	452,389	<u>78,560</u>		530,949
Less accumulated depreciation for: Buildings and improvements Vehicles and equipment	67,610 81,243	8,961 17,960	-0- -0-	76,571 99,203
Total accumulated depreciation	148,853	26,921	-0-	175,774
Net capital assets, being depreciated	303,536	51,639		355,175
Net governmental activities capital assets	<u>\$ 437,317</u>	\$ 66 , 654	<u>\$ -0-</u>	\$ 503 , 971

Depreciation expense was charged to functions/programs of the primary government as follows:

Governmental activities: General government Public safety Parks and recreation	\$ 4,924 16,590 5,407
Total depreciation expense - governmental activities	\$ 26,921

NOTE G - PARTIAL SELF-INSURANCE

The Township is a member of the Michigan Township Participating Plan. Under most circumstances, the municipality's maximum coverage is limited as follows:

<u>Type</u>	<u>Limit</u>	<u>Deductible</u>
Property Liability Errors and Omission Law Enforcement Automobiles Crime Inland Marine Workmen's	\$ 733,300 2,000,000 2,000,000 2,000,000 2,000,000	100 -0- -0- -0- -0- -0- 100
Compensation	STATUTORY	-0-

NOTE H - JOINT VENTURE - UTILITY AUTHORITY

The Township is a participant in a joint venture with Mentor Township. The Big Creek-Mentor Utility Authority operates a joint township water and sewer system. Each of the townships appoint two members to the Utility Authority Board, these four members then appoint the fifth member from the residents of the two townships. Big Creek Township has a 50 percent interest in the venture and has advanced \$13,000 to the Utility Authority as an interest free loan. The Utility Authority is being funded by two Community Development Block Grants totaling \$809,500, a Farmers Home Administration loan of \$2,000,000, a Farmers Home Administration grant of \$4,000,000, and a State of Michigan Department of Public Health grant of \$2,450,000.

At March 31, 2005 the Utility Authority had assets of \$9,225,691 which consisted of cash totaling \$301,336, receivables of \$401,241, and capitalized construction costs of \$8,523,114 (net). Liabilities were \$2,201,410 and equity was \$7,024,281. Complete separate financial statements for the Utility Authority are available at the Big Creek - Mentor Utility Authority, P.O. Box 99, Mio, Michigan 48647.

NOTE I - JOINT VENTURE - FIRE PROTECTION

Big Creek Township is a participant in a joint venture, Tri-Town Fire Department, with the Townships of Mentor and Elmer for the purpose of providing fire protection services to the residents of the townships. The Tri-Town Fire Board is composed of the Supervisor of each of the three townships, two township board members from Big Creek Township and one township board member from each of Mentor Township and Elmer Township.

REQUIRED
SUPPLEMENTARY
INFORMATION

TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK STATEMENT OF REVENUE, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE BUDGET AND ACTUAL - GENERAL FUND YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2006

Davanuas		Original Budget		Final Amended Budget		<u>Actual</u>	F	ariance avorable <u>favorable</u>)
Revenues: Taxes and assessments Intergovernmental Charges for services Rent Interest Other	\$	90,000 247,084 2,965 9,300 100 5,450	\$	90,000 247,084 2,965 9,300 100 5,450	\$	72,281 251,850 17,366 9,172 5,309 7,083	\$	(17,719) 4,766 14,401 (128) 5,209 1,633
Total Revenues		354,899		354,899		363,061		8,162
Expenditures: General government Fire Sanitation Highways and streets Parks & recreation Total Expenditures	_	262,125 68,068 55,000 36,000 20,000 441,193	_	262,125 68,068 55,000 36,000 20,000 441,193	_	238,755 63,366 53,856 23,665 21,890 401,532		23,370 4,702 1,144 12,335 (1,890) 39,661
Excess: Revenue over (under) expenditures		(86,294)		(86,294)		(38,471)		47,823
Fund Balance April 1		387,152		387,152	_	387,152		-0-
Fund Balance - March 31	\$	300,858	\$	300,858	<u>\$</u>	348,681	\$	47,823

TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES - COMPARED TO BUDGET YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2006

	Original Budget	Final Amended Budget	<u> Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (<u>Unfavorable</u>)
Revenues: Taxes and Assessments: General property taxes	\$ 90,000	\$ 90,000	\$ 72 , 281	\$ (17,71 <u>9</u>)
Total Taxes and Assessments	90,000	90,000	72,281	(17,719)
Intergovernmental: State shared revenues Federal in-lieu State Metro Act State in-lieu	235,000 5,000 6,644 440	235,000 5,000 6,644 440	231,023 13,967 6,416 444	(3,977) 8,967 (228) <u>4</u>
Total Intergovernmental	247,084	247,084	<u>251,850</u>	4,766
Charges for Services: Fees	2,965	2,965	17,366	14,401
Total Charges for Services	2,965	2,965	<u>17,366</u>	14 , 401
Rent	9,300	9,300	9,172	(128)
Interest	100	100	5,309	<u>5,209</u>
Other: Sale of cemetery lots Reimbursements Miscellaneous	2,500 450 2,500	2,500 450 2,500	1,220 446 5,417	(1,280) (4)
Total Other	5,450	<u>5,450</u>	7,083	1,633
Total Revenue	<u>\$ 354,899</u>	<u>\$ 354,899</u>	<u>\$ 363,061</u>	<u>\$ 8,162</u>

TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - COMPARED TO BUDGET YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2006

General Government	ginal udget	Aı	Final mended Budget	 <u>Actual</u>	Fav	riance vorable Tavorable)
Township Board: Salaries-board Payroll taxes Supplies Legal and audit Insurance Dues Education Miscellaneous Capital outlay	\$ 5,100 9,000 1,500 10,000 17,000 4,000 2,000 1,600 4,000	\$	5,100 9,000 1,500 10,000 17,000 4,000 2,000 1,600 4,000	\$ 5,100 7,125 1,249 4,709 15,384 2,473 65 -0- 6,318	\$	-0- 1,875 251 5,291 1,616 1,527 1,935 1,600 (2,318)
Total Township Board	 54,200		54,200	 42,423		11,777
Township Supervisor: Salary Salary-Clerical Office supplies Education	 15,500 1,000 2,000 -0-		15,500 1,000 2,000 -0-	 15,500 158 792 245		-0- 842 1,208 (245)
Total Township Supervisor	 18,500		18,500	 16,695		1,805
Election Board: Supplies Contract services	2,500 -0-		2,500 -0-	 169 50		2,331 (50)
Total Election Board	 2,500		2,500	 219		2,281
Township Assessor: Salary Office supplies Education	 16,400 -0- -0-		16,400 -0- -0-	 16,400 602 400		-0- (602) (400)
Total Township Assessor	 16,400		16,400	 17 , 402		(1,002)
Township Clerk: Salary - clerk Salary - deputy Office supplies Education	15,500 3,000 1,500 -0-		15,500 3,000 1,500 -0-	15,500 1,584 1,080 318		-0- 1,416 420 (318)
Total Township Clerk	 20,000		20,000	 18,482		1,518

TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - COMPARED TO BUDGET YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2006

	Original Budget	Final Amended <u>Budget</u>	Actual	Variance Favorable (<u>Unfavorable</u>)
General Government (continued	d)			
Township Treasurer: Salary - treasurer Salary - deputy Office supplies Tax statements Education Miscellaneous	\$ 15,500 6,000 4,500 13,000 -0- -0-	\$ 15,500 6,000 4,500 13,000 -0- -0-	\$ 15,500 3,992 3,248 14,783 314 192	\$ -0- 2,008 1,252 (1,783) (314) (192)
Total Township Treasurer	39,000	39,000	38,029	971
Board of Review: Salaries	1,200	1,200	720	480
Total Board of Review	1,200	1,200	<u>720</u>	480
Township Hall: Salaries Supplies Street lights Contract services Repair & maintenance Utilities Capital outlay	500 -0- 19,000 1,500 1,325 -0- 80,000	500 -0- 19,000 1,500 1,325 -0- 80,000	287 670 17,829 1,205 3,944 3,235 71,320	213 (670) 1,171 295 (2,619) (3,235) 8,680
Total Township Hall	102,325	102,325	98,490	3,835
Cemetery: Salaries Supplies Contract services Utilities			1,959 1,247 3,003 <u>86</u>	
Total Cemetery	<u>(1) 8,000</u>	8,000	6,295	1,705
Total General Government	262,125	262,125	238,755	23,370

(1) Budgeted in total.

TOWNSHIP OF BIG CREEK GENERAL FUND STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURES - COMPARED TO BUDGET YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2006

Fire	Original Budget	Final Amended Budget	<u>Actual</u>	Variance Favorable (<u>Unfavorable</u>)
Fire Department: Salaries Supplies Contract services Insurance Utilities Education Capital outlay	\$	\$	\$ 8,066 3,244 1,411 863 3,454 2,509 5,151	\$
Total Fire Department (1)	29,400	29,400	24,698	4,702
Tri-Town Fire Department	38,668	38,668	38,668	
Total Fire	68,068	68,068	63,366	4,702
Sanitation Transfer site Big Creek-Mentor Utility Authority	35,000 20,000	35,000 20,000	32,616 21,240	2,384 (1,24 <u>0</u>)
Total Sanitation	55,000	55,000	53,856	1,144
Highways and Streets Road Improvements	<u>36,000</u>	<u>36,000</u>	23,665	12,335
Total Highway and Streets	36,000	36,000	23,665	12,335
Parks & Recreation Salaries Supplies Contract services Utilities Park Improvements			3,999 3,227 3,230 648 10,786	
Total Parks & Recreation(1)	20,000	20,000	21,890	(1,890)
Total Expenditures	<u>\$ 441,193</u>	<u>\$ 441,193</u>	<u>\$ 401,532</u>	<u>\$ 39,661</u>

(1) Budgeted in Total.

BIG CREEK TOWNSHIP ROAD IMPROVEMENT FUND STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENDITURES AND CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - BUDGET AND ACTUAL YEAR THE YEAR ENDED MARCH 31, 2006

	Original <u>Budget</u>	Final Amended <u>Budget</u>	<u> Actual</u>	Variance Favorable <u>(Unfavorable</u>)
Revenue: Property taxes	\$ 1,32 <u>5</u>	\$ 1,32 <u>5</u>	\$ 1,32 <u>5</u>	\$ -0-
Total Revenue	1,325	1,325	1,325	
Expenditures: Road improvements	1,325	1,325	1,020	305
Total Expenditures	1,325	1,325	1,020	305
Excess: Revenue over (under) expenditures	-0-	-0-	305	305
Fund balance (deficit) January 1	3,210	3,210	3,210	
Fund balance (deficit) December 31	\$ 3 , 210	\$ 3 , 210	\$ 3,515	<u>\$ 305</u>